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In response to the Office Action dated September 19, 2000, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows, substituting any amended claim(s) for the corresponding pending claim(s):

1 I. (amended) For use in a wireless messaging system, a message distribution system capable

2 of allowing a subscriber of the wireless messaging system to review stored wireless messages sent
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3 to the subscriber comprising:

4 an interface to a database coupled to the message distribution system and capable of
5 storing wireless messages directed to the subscriber independent of whether the wireless messages
6 have been delivered to the subscriber;

7 a first I/O interface capable of receiving, from the subscriber, a message retrieval
8 request for messages within the database directed to the subscriber;

9 a message retrieval controller coupled to the first I/O interface capable of
10 determining an identity of the subscriber from identification data contained
11 in the message retrieval request,

12 retrieving a data record associated with the subscriber, the data record
13 containing one or more of the stored wireless messages, and

14 transferring to the subscriber one or more selected portions of at least one of
15 the stored wireless messages.

1 2. (amended) The message distribution system set forth in Claim 1, wherein each wireless
2 message directed to the subscriber is stored in the database after transmission of the wireless
3 message for reception by a paging device for the subscriber, regardless of whether the wireless
4 message was received by the wireless paging device .

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3 3. (amended) The message distribution system set forth in Claim 1 wherein the message
distribution system initially transfers only one or more selected fields from at least one stored
3 message within the data record to the subscriber in response to the message retrieval request.

1 4. (amended) The message distribution system set forth in Claim 3 wherein the message
2 distribution system transfers all of a selected stored message to the subscriber in response to
3 receiving a complete message request from the subscriber requesting all of the selected stored
4 message.

1 5. (amended) The message distribution system set forth in Claim 1, wherein the first I/O
2 interface is capable of receiving a wireless message directed to the subscriber, the message
3 distribution system further comprising a second I/O interface capable of sending the received
4 wireless message to an RF transceiver facility operable to transmit the received wireless message
5 to a paging device of the subscriber.

6. (amended) The message distribution system set forth in Claim 5, further comprising an
2 incoming wireless message controller capable of determining an identity of the subscriber from
3 identification data contained in the received wireless message, wherein the message distribution
4 system requires the subscriber to enter a password prior to transferring the one or more selected
5 portions of the at least one stored wireless message to the subscriber.

1 7. (amended) The message distribution system set forth in Claim 5 wherein the message
2 distribution system is capable of receiving from the RF transceiver facility a response message
3 responsive to a transmission of the received wireless message to the paging device, wherein the
4 response message is stored within the data record in association with the received wireless message.

1 8. (amended) The message distribution system set forth in Claim 5 wherein, when the
2 wireless message received through the first I/O interface has not yet been successfully delivered to
3 the paging device via the RF transceiver facility and at least one or more selected portions of the
4 received wireless message is transmitted to the subscriber in response to the message retrieval
5 request, the subscriber may selectively cancel any subsequent attempt to deliver the received wireless
6 message via the RF transceiver facility.

1 9. (amended) The message distribution system set forth in Claim 1 wherein the message
2 retrieval request is received from
3 a public telephone system, or
4 a data processing system coupled to a wide area data network.

10. (amended) A wireless messaging system comprising:

a plurality of RF transceiver facilities capable of transmitting and receiving wireless messages to and from paging devices used by subscribers of the wireless messaging system;

a database capable of storing wireless messages directed to a subscriber of the wireless messaging system regardless of whether the wireless messages have been delivered to the subscriber; and

a message distribution system coupled to the database and capable of allowing the subscriber of the wireless messaging system to review stored wireless messages previously sent to the subscriber comprising:

a first I/O interface capable of receiving, from the subscriber, a message retrieval request for messages within the database directed to the subscriber; and

a message retrieval controller coupled to the first I/O interface capable of determining an identity of the subscriber from identification data contained in the message retrieval request, retrieving a data record associated with the subscriber, the data record containing one or more of the stored wireless messages, and transferring to the subscriber one or more selected portions of at least one of the stored wireless messages.

1 11. (amended) The wireless messaging system set forth in Claim 10 wherein the message
2 distribution system initially transfers only one or more selected fields from one or more selected
3 stored messages within the data record to the subscriber in response to the message retrieval request.

1 12. (amended) The wireless messaging system set forth in Claim 11 wherein the message
2 distribution system transfers all of a selected stored message to the subscriber in response to
3 receiving a complete message request from the subscriber requesting all of the selected stored
4 message.

1 13. (amended) The wireless messaging system set forth in Claim 10, wherein the first I/O
2 interface is capable of receiving a wireless message directed to the subscriber, the message
3 distribution system further comprising a second I/O interface capable of sending the received
4 wireless message to an RF transceiver facility operable to transmit the received wireless message
5 to a paging device of the subscriber.

1 14. (amended) The wireless messaging system set forth in Claim 13 further comprising an
2 incoming wireless message controller capable of determining an identity of the subscriber from
3 identification data contained in the received wireless message, wherein the message distribution
4 system requires the subscriber to enter a password prior to transferring to the subscriber the one or
5 more selected portions of the at least one stored wireless message.

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2 15. (amended) The wireless messaging system set forth in Claim 13 wherein the message
3 distribution system is capable of receiving from the RF transceiver facility a response message
4 responsive to a transmission of the received wireless message to the paging device, wherein the
5 response message is stored within the data record associated with the subscriber in association with
the received wireless message.

1 16. (amended) The wireless messaging system set forth in Claim 13, wherein, when the
2 wireless message received through the first I/O interface has not yet been successfully delivered to
3 the paging device via the RF transceiver facility and at least one or more selected portions of the
4 received wireless message are transmitted to the subscriber in response to the message retrieval
5 request, the subscriber may selectively cancel any subsequent attempt to deliver the received wireless
6 message via the RF transceiver facility.

17. (amended) The ~~message distribution system set forth in Claim 10 wherein each wireless~~
message directed to the subscriber is stored in the database after RF transmission of the wireless
message for reception by a paging device for the subscriber, regardless of whether the wireless
paging device receives the wireless message.

18. (amended) For use in a wireless messaging system, a method for allowing a subscriber
of the wireless messaging system to view on a display device stored wireless messages sent to the
subscriber comprising the steps of:

receiving a message retrieval request from the subscriber for wireless messages
directed to the subscriber;
determining an identity of the subscriber from identification data contained in the
message retrieval request;
retrieving a data record associated with the subscriber, the data record containing one
or more of the stored wireless messages sent to the subscriber and stored within the data record
regardless of whether any of the wireless messages were successfully delivered to a paging device
for the subscriber; and
transferring to the subscriber one or more selected portions of at least one of the
stored wireless messages.

1 19. (amended) The method set forth in Claim 18, wherein the step of transferring to the
2 subscriber one or more selected portions of at least one of the stored wireless messages further
3 comprises:

4 transferring only selected fields from one or more stored wireless messages to the
5 subscriber in response to receiving the message retrieval request.

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20. (amended) The method set forth in Claim 19, further comprising:

2 receiving from the subscriber a complete message retrieval request for all of a
3 selected stored wireless message; and

4 in response thereto, transferring to the subscriber all of the selected stored wireless
5 message.
